

REMARKS

The present amendment is submitted under 37 CFR § 1.312 in order to correct minor formal typographical matters.

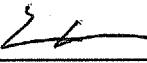
Specifically, the specification correctly discloses "a gate insulating film 404" at page 14, lines 23-24, "a drain region 406" at page 14, line 25, and "semiconductor regions 406 and 407" at page 15, line 8. Also, Figure 5(A) shows an example of a gate insulating film 404, a drain region 406 and a source region 407. However, at page 4, line 25, the specification inconsistently makes reference to "a source region 404." Therefore, the Applicant respectfully requests entry of the present *Rule 312 Amendment* in order to change "source region 404" to "source region 407" at page 14, line 25, which is consistent with the meaning presented in the original specification and Figure 5(A) as filed.

Further the specification has been amended to replace "flatting" with "flattening."

The amendments are believed to be needed for clarifying or correcting minor obvious errors and do not require a substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office. The amendments do not add new matter and review and approval are respectfully requested. If the Examiner feels that any further discussions about this case would be beneficial, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Although no fee is due for this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR §§1.16, 1.17, 1.20(a), 1.20(b), 1.20(c), and 1.20(d) (except the Issue Fee) which may be required now or hereafter, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2280.

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